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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

APPLICANTS: Norén et al.
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TITLE: "IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE FOR MEASURING VENTRICULAR PRESSURE"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,843,135
AB United States Patent No. 5,368,040
AC United States Patent No. 5,324,326
AD United States Patent No. 5,163,429
AE United States Patent No. 5,040,540

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Each of the above references was identified and discussed at pages 1-4 of the present specification. Additionally, Reference AB was cited in Category "X" in a Search Report rendered by the Swedish Patent Office during examination of the Swedish application corresponding to the present United States application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the present application, and is thus in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and therefore no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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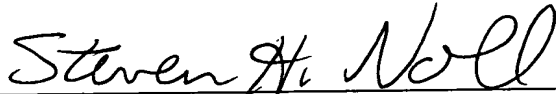
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